

## Spokes Around The Hub

### SPOKES

**They Were Surprised**—A traveling salesman from Central Lake and a young school teacher were somewhat surprised, after having left their suitcases, identical in size and color, in the Pere Marquette depot overnight. Both after reaching home returned to Central Lake with the suitcases. The salesman to the grocery trade found it somewhat difficult to sell lingerie to his patrons. The charming young school teacher was not surprised—oh, no! When first she opened the suitcase that she took with her she discovered a package of peerless, a box of raisins and a can of corn. Reports indicate that when the salesman opened his case before his first prospect the first thing noticeable was a blush.

**New Cashier**—Leslie G. Brown has been named as the new cashier of the Farmers' State Bank of St. Johns.

**Adopt New Method**—The new methods of promoting a successful chamber of commerce are being used now in St. Johns. In the attempt to make the organization a real vital organization in the city memberships are being set at \$25 and efforts will be made to secure \$2,500 in memberships, with a view of securing a full time paid secretary for the organization.

**Pays After Eight Years**—Edwin Skinner, living near St. Johns, purchased a railroad ticket to Fowler, eight years ago when the fare was 19 cents. He got the ticket but neglected to pay for it. The other day he was in the station again and asked if a quarter including interest charges, would square his debt.

**Theatre Badly Damaged**—The Star Theatre at Midland was practically destroyed by flames in an early morning fire, the loss being about \$6,000.

**Two Empties Make Some Blaze**—Flames that lighted up the entire sky at an early hour made people of Midland believe that the Dow Chemical plant was burning. It proved, however, that only two empty freight cars on a siding at the plant were in flames.

**New Store**—Charles Merrill and John Miner, experienced merchants, have formed a co-partnership and will establish a new general store in Breckenridge. They have rented the building formerly occupied by the Farmers' State Bank.

**To Hold Farmers Meeting**—The eleventh annual farmers meeting will be held at Central State Normal, March 1, 2 and 3. A good program is being arranged.

**To Rebuild System**—The Union Telephone company will rebuild its telephone system in Mt. Pleasant this summer. Complete new equipment and cables will be used in the work,

which will be started early in the spring.

**Wells Unsafe**—Thirty-five out of 85 wells tested in St. Louis by State health authorities are regarded as being unsafe, with 13 others as doubtful.

### SUMNER

Bernard Graham and friend of Alma called on friends here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hicks of Elm Hall and Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tucker of Alma visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Tucker.

John Klees and son and Vance Woodward were in Alma on business Monday.

Mr. King returned Monday from a week end visit with friends in Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hicks of Alma called on relatives here Monday while on their way to Ferris center to see Mrs. Hicks' brother who is seriously ill at Arthur Hamlin's.

Howard Phillips of Saginaw came Monday to spend a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips.

Funeral services for Jay West, who passed away Saturday night, were held at the Christian Church Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Roberts of Ithaca. Interment was made in the Summer cemetery. His pleasant ways and patient suffering won him many friends and he will be greatly missed by all.

Dr. Hall of Pompeii was a professional caller in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stacey of Cedar Lake came Tuesday to attend the funeral of their cousin, Jay West.

Mrs. Samuel Cleverdon and son, Adley, were in Ithaca and Alma on business Wednesday.

Fred Bradford of Alma was a business caller here Thursday.

Mr. Newman of Bengal called on friends in this vicinity Thursday.

Chas. Andrews, an old resident of this vicinity passed away at the home of his daughter in Chicago, Jan. 27, after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held at Elm Hall on Wednesday. Interment was made in the Summer cemetery.

Adley Cleverdon returned to his work at Big Rapids Thursday having been called home on account of the death of his uncle, Jay West.

T. McGuen and J. O. Hunt transacted business in Alma Saturday.

Mrs. John Wrigglesworth and children left Friday for Chicago to join her husband, who has employment there.

Byron Summers returned to Ithaca Thursday.

Mrs. E. M. Forquer who has been visiting relatives and friends in Alma for the past week has returned home.

Wm. Phillips was a Riverdale caller Thursday.

Howard Parker transacted business in Alma Thursday.

Walter Evoy and Opal Forquer were Ithaca visitors Friday afternoon.

Wm. Price and Ellis Ayers transacted business in Carson City the first of the week.

A. J. Vance and Miss Minnie Yel-sick, teachers in our public schools, spent the week end at their respective homes in North Star and Ithaca.

Mrs. Howard Phillips of New Haven visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Leonard were Alma callers Saturday.

Mrs. R. C. Helcomb and son Kenneth were on the sick list last week.

### EMERSON

There was a party Friday night at Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Overmier's. A lovely lunch was served at midnight. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Helen Tedham entertained the Ladies' Aid Wednesday.

Mrs. M. Presley returned home Tuesday from Lansing, where she has been the past week caring for the new granddaughter.

Program and box social at the school house, Friday night. Ladies please bring boxes with lunch for two.

Carl Siefka and Ida Raske were married, Saturday. Congratulations from their friends.

Mrs. Ola Mauren is on the sick list. Albert Siefka is helping his brother-in-law near Alma.

The Mission Circle held their meeting with Mrs. M. Presley Friday p. m. Mrs. Gore favored them with a recitation. Mrs. Grace and Mary Mann also had a good reading. Each member is to bring a visitor at the next meeting with Mrs. Roy Griffith, first Friday afternoon in March. Mr. Presley treated them to warm taffy and peanuts.

Edwin Rosland had pneumonia and was taken to Brainerd's hospital, but is better and was brought home last Wednesday.

Albert Maurer will have an auction sale February 15.

Roy Griffith visited his mother at Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Miss Jennie Reed is visiting her grandmother at McBrides.

Ophir Mann of Alma spent the latter part of the week with his brother, Lloyd.

### SOUTHEAST COE

A fine baby girl arrived at the home of Elwin Stahl's last week.

Rev. Kimberling and family now ride in a new Ford Sedan.

Mrs. Dillon is quite poorly at this writing with gallstones.

Mrs. Charles Byers is visiting in Alma at the home of his son, Hugh.

Mrs. Fred Gay returned home from Alma Friday where she has been helping to care for her husband's mother, who has been very sick but is better now.

Mrs. E. G. Foadyee and son, Fay, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Floyd McNaughton.

Last Thursday the Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. E. M. Ward where a large crowd gathered and gave Mr. and Mrs. Woodmansee a fine shower of kitchen ware. They recently lost their home by fire.

### LEWIS DISTRICT

Mrs. Archie Hibner, of the Kellogg district, spent part of last week at the home of her son, Guy.

The "True Blues" met at the home of Paul Barnes last Friday evening. A pleasant evening was spent.

Mr. Hezekiah Parks spent part of last week with friends near Palo.

Mrs. Pearl Beard and Mrs. Guy Hibner entertained at a six o'clock dinner Thursday evening in honor of the birthdays of Mr. Pearl Beard, Mr. Guy Hibner, and Mr. Bernard Rudd.

Mr. Charlie Reid has moved his family from this vicinity to the Wheeler district, where he will work for Charlie Lepley.

Those from this district, who attended church at Newark, last Sunday report a splendid sermon by Rev. Carr. It was the second of a series which he is giving. Services at 2:30.

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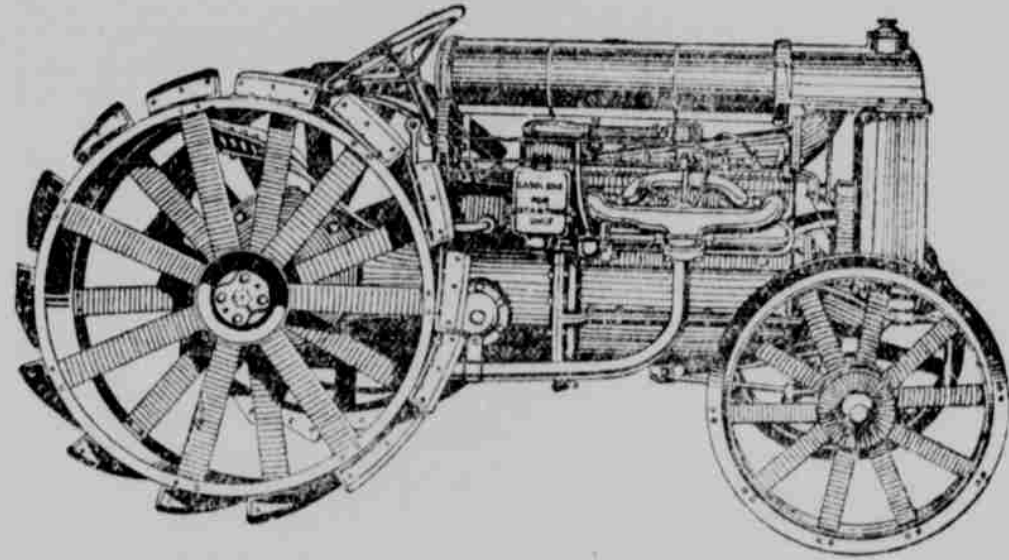
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